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#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### FOR THE DISTRICT OF WYOMING

CARLIE SHERMAN, ANNA GOZUN, AMANDA NASH, and JOHN DOE on behalf of themselves and all similarly situated persons,

PLAINTIFFS,

v.

TRINITY TEEN SOLUTIONS, INC., a Wyoming corporation; TRIANGLE CROSS RANCH, LLC, a Wyoming limited liability corporation; MONKS OF THE MOST BLESSED VIRGIN MARY OF MOUNT CARMEL, d/b/a MYSTIC MONK COFFEE, a Wyoming corporation; **GERALD E.** SCHNEIDER; MICHAELEEN P. SCHNEIDER; ANGELA C. WOODWARD; JERRY D. WOODWARD; DANIEL SCHNEIDER; MATHEW SCHNEIDER; MARK SCHNEIDER; KARA WOODWARD; **KYLE WOODWARD: THOMAS GEORGE:** JUDITH D. JEFFERIS; DALLY-UP, LLC, a Wyoming limited liability corporation; **ROCK CREEK RANCH, INC.**, a Delaware corporation; **DIOCESE OF CHEYENNE**, a Wyoming corporation; and the **SOCIETY OF OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**, a Texas corporation; and NEW MOUNT CARMEL FOUNDATION, INC., a Wyoming corporation,

Civil Case No. 20-CV-00215-SWS

DEFENDANTS.

# DEFENDANTS TRIANGLE CROSS RANCH, LLC, GERALD E. SCHNEIDER, MICHAELEEN P. SCHNEIDER, MATTHEW SCHNEIDER, MARK SCHNEIDER, AND THOMAS GEORGE'S MOTION TO DISMISS

Defendants Triangle Cross Ranch, LLC, Gerald E. Schneider, Michaeleen P. Schneider, Matthew Schneider, Mark Schneider, and Thomas George ("TCR Defendants"), through their attorneys White and Steele, P.C., hereby move under Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6) to dismiss all claims with prejudice against the TCR Defendants for failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted. The TCR Defendants have submitted a written brief in support of this Motion, incorporated here by reference. TCR Defendants move for dismissal based on the following grounds:

- 1. Plaintiffs' RICO claim is untimely (Count 4);
- 2. Plaintiffs cannot establish RICO standing (Count 4);
- 3. Plaintiffs fail to state the remaining substantive RICO elements of (1) conduct (2) of an enterprise (3) through a pattern (4) of racketeering activity (Count 4);
- Plaintiffs fail to state the required predicate violations pursuant to the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO) (Count 4);
- Plaintiffs fail to state a cognizable labor or services theory pursuant to the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) (Counts 1-3);
- 6. Plaintiffs fail to state the required element of compulsion under the TVPA (Counts 1-3); and,
- 7. Plaintiffs fail to state knowing violations of the TVPA (Counts 1-3).

WHEREFORE Defendants respectfully ask the Court to dismiss the plaintiffs' claims against the TCR Defendants, with prejudice.

Respectfully submitted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2021.

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